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MEMORANDUM FOR EXECUTIVE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

FROM: Gary R. Syphus
DATE: May 19, 2015
SUBJECT: Utah Communications Authority Report

House Bill 343 from the 2015 General Session amends the powers of the Utah Communications Authority (UCA) and creates the 911 Division within the authority. The bill can be found here:

<http://le.utah.gov/~2015/bills/hbillenr/HB0343.pdf>.

Representatives from the UCA will report on progress and planned action based on requirements in the bill.

Among others, the bill or related statute requires the UCA to:

1. Conduct a study of “a detailed design and planning proposal for the upgrade and expansion of all phases of the public safety communication network” and subsequently report to the Executive Appropriations Committee (63H-7a-404).
2. Report certain financial data to the Executive offices and Criminal Justice Appropriations Subcommittee (63H-7a-205).
3. Adopt budgetary procedures similar to those in the Budgetary Procedures Act (63H-7a-803).

Given the requirement in item #3 above, we recommend the EAC adopt a motion directing the Legislative Fiscal Analyst (LFA) to work with UCA to develop procedures by which UCA will deliver timely and compatible data to LFA for the 2016 General Session and report those procedures back to EAC in October.

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